

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON FARM
BORDENTOWN, N. J.

March 20th,
1939

Mr. A. L. Manley,
55 Somerset Street,
Newark, N. J.

Dear Mr. Manley:

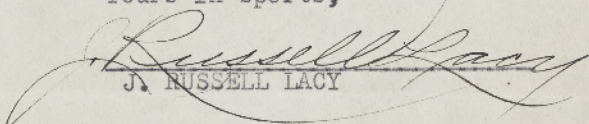
Your letter of March 17th, 1939, has been received, requesting information regarding a Baseball Player at this institution.

The Ball Player to whom you are undoubtedly referring is Obadiah Brewer. He was the outstanding colored player on our institutional team last season. Brewer is a capable infielder and his hitting ability is far above average. I personally feel that his qualifications definitely warrant a try-out with your Newark Eagles.

Brewer is no longer at this institution, having been transferred back to the Trenton State Prison since last baseball season, but it is my understanding that he will be released about August 1st, 1939.

If you desire any further information as to his exact release date, I would suggest that you contact Mr. R. William Lagay, Principal Keeper, New Jersey State Prison, Trenton, New Jersey. In fact, I feel that it would be advisable for you to write to Warden Lagay in any event, as he will undoubtedly be interested to learn of the possibility of Brewer acquiring employment at time of release.

Yours in sports,


J. RUSSELL LACY

JRL:JM